



Abertawe Photographic Society CONSTITUTION 2016.

1. The club shall be known as the Abertawe Photographic Society.
2. The objective of the club is to encourage, create and develop an interest in all branches of photography.
3. The club shall be affiliated to the Welsh Photographic Federation and thence to the Photographic Alliance of Great Britain.
4. Membership is open to anyone over the age of 18yrs with an interest in photography.
5. Junior Member. Between the ages of 14 yrs to 18 yrs. Those under the age of 18yrs. Junior membership must be linked to the membership of a parent or appointed guardian who accepts responsibility for the minor. The fee for the junior is set at £12.50
6. The committee reserves the right of refusal of membership.
7. The President, elected by the membership as a mark of appreciation for service to the club, shall hold the honorary position for One Year.
8. A committee, elected annually at the club AGM, shall carry out the management of the club.
9. The committee shall consist of the following Officers. Chairman, Vice- Chairman Treasurer, Secretary and up to four members.
10. The committee shall meet as often as necessary to conduct the club business in an efficient manner; the presence of six committee members shall constitute a quorum. All decisions shall be made by a simple vote in case of a tie; Sub-committee(s) may deal with specific matters as delegated by the full committee. The President may attend committee meetings, but shall not vote.
11. The committee may co-opt extra members to serve; such new members shall be confirmed at the next AGM.
12. Annual Membership fees shall be proposed by the committee and agree at the AGM and shall become due at the start of each club season. Only paid up full members shall enter club competitions and exhibit in the club's name.
13. The club funds shall be managed by the Treasurer and beheld in a bank account cheques shall be signed by two of three designated signatories.
14. The financial year shall run from 31st October to 30th September. Accounts shall be presented to the membership at the AGM and shall be audited annually by a non-member of the club.
15. The club may hold competitions at some of its regular meetings during the season; the themes, frequency and rules for such competition shall be decided by the committee and published in the annual programme card. The club may participate in inter-club. Welsh Photographic Federation and other competitions as decided by the committee.
16. The Annual General Meeting shall be held in October or at the last meeting of each club season. Members may propose motions for discussion and voting, such motions to be made in writing and send to the Secretary at least two weeks before the AGM. Amendments to motions and elections requiring a vote shall be decided on a simple majority, the Chairman having a second, casting vote. One third of the paid –up membership shall constitute a quorum.
17. An Emergency General Meeting (EGM) shall be held if requested in writing by ten club members. An EGM may be called by the committee.
18. This constitution shall only be altered by a vote at the AGM or at the EGM.
19. In the event of the Club closing down, the committee shall call an Extraordinary Meeting to discuss and agree the distribution of the Club's assets.
20. Entries must be the work of the entrant, who is deemed to hold the copyright for the work and with whom all liabilities relating to copyright and plagiarism remain. Neither Abertawe Photographic Society nor its officers will accept any liability on behalf of its members in the event of claims of copyright infringement or plagiarism being made against the members. ALL manipulation must be the work of the entrant.

President	Ferenc Bliszko.	ChairPerson	Jane Emery.
Secretary	Mike Evans.	Treasurer.	Jeff Driscoll.

Date. 2nd February 2016..